

# INCOME VERIFICATION MATCH (IVM) USER MANUAL

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#### Introduction

#### **Background**

Public Law 101-508 permits the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to verify income data with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and Social Security Administration (SSA) for veterans receiving VA health care services whose eligibility for medical care is based on income. The Income Verification Match (IVM) process for Veterans Health Administration (VHA) medical facilities is centralized and performed at the HEC in Atlanta, Ga.

#### **Functionality**

IVM Version 2.0 provides all of the functionality required to complete the eligibility verification process. This primarily involves electronically receiving the revised VA Form 10-10F from the HEC and automatically filing the updated test in the **V***ISTA* Means Test module.

#### **User Interactive Functions**

- View/verify patient demographic, insurance, and SSN information received from SSA and IRS
- Upload verified data
- View billing/collection and Means Test activity
- Configure, monitor, and purge the IVM system

#### Noninteractive Functions

- Exchange of data, on an ad-hoc basis, between your facility and the HEC via electronic transmissions
- Scheduled transmission to the HEC of all Means Tests meeting IVM criteria via the Nightly Background Job, and IVM-related billing and collections activity

## Integration

IVM V. 2.0 provides functionality that impacts Registration, Medical Care Cost Recovery (MCCR), and IRM staff at your facility. It is highly integrated with the following packages.

# Patient Information Management System (PIMS)

- PIMS demographic, Means Test, and income information is sent to the HEC
- Means Test and demographic information verified by the HEC is uploaded into PIMS files

# Integrated Billing (IB)

- Patient insurance information is transmitted to the HEC
- Means Test charges are created in IB for patients who become MT Copay Required when a verified Means Test from IVM is transmitted to the facility
- Insurance information identified by IVM is uploaded into IB files
- IB provides billing and collections information, for billings resulting from IVM activity, that is transmitted back to the HEC

## Health Level 7 (HL7)

Provides the foundation for all communications between your facility and the HEC

#### Related Manuals

IVM V. 2.0 Technical Manual (includes	Technical and security information regarding operation and
Security section)	maintenance of the IVM system
IVM V. 2.0 Release Notes	New features and functions of the V. 2.0 software
IVM V. 2.0 Installation Guide	Information necessary to install the software

# Package Management

Means Tests that meet the IVM criteria and billing/collections information for IVM-related bills are transmitted automatically to the HEC each evening during the nightly background job. Means Tests that have been verified by the HEC and transmitted back to the facility are automatically filed into VISTA upon receipt.

There are three parameters in the IVM SITE PARAMETERS File (#301.9) that can be used to suppress the generation of mail message notifications of demographic, insurance, and SSN transmissions received from the HEC.

Per VHA Directive 10-93-142, most of the IVM routines, data dictionaries, and data files are not to be modified. Only the reports (located in the IVMR routine namespace) may be modified.

# Using the Software

#### IVM Upload Menu

**Demographics Upload** 



The Demographics Upload option is locked with the IVM UPLOAD security key.

#### Introduction

This option uses the List Manager utility to let you view, upload, and/or delete demographic information. The List Manager screens display uploadable and non-uploadable demographic fields. You can view, upload, and/or delete *uploadable* demographic data with this option. You can view *non-uploadable* demographic data with this option; however, the *non-uploadable* data must be entered manually via the Load/Edit Patient Data or Register a Patient options in the PIMS Registration Menu. Be sure to verify that the data is accurate before entering it manually.

You can choose to accept or reject updated address information with this option if

• The Bad Address Indicator (BAI) is NULL

AND

• The patient has an active Pharmacy prescription

AND

• Your VAMC receives an update for a patient's permanent mailing address

You can upload/delete complete addresses only (must take action on all address fields). If you attempt to upload/delete an individual address field, a message is displayed indicating that if you choose to proceed, all address fields will be uploaded/deleted. For uploading purposes, the following are considered address fields: STREET ADDRESS [LINE 1], STREET ADDRESS [LINE 2], CITY, STATE, ZIP+4, COUNTY, and PHONE NUMBER [RESIDENCE].

If the incoming address (IVM Field Value) is older than the address currently already file at the VAMC (DHCP Field Value), a warning is displayed, and the software asks you to verify that you want to update the complete address.

If the patient you selected has an active prescription on file, and you are attempting to upload the complete address, a warning is displayed, and the software asks you to verify that you want to update the complete address.

If the IVM address fields (IVM Field Value) you are uploading do not include a phone number, but the **V***ISTA* address fields on file (DHCP Field Value) include a phone number, the software displays the patient's name and phone number and asks if you want to delete the phone number.

# IVM Upload Menu Demographics Upload

#### **Introduction, continued**

You can view, upload, and/or delete the *uploadable* data in the following PATIENT File (#2) fields when using this option.

Field Number	Field Name
.118	ADDRESS CHANGE DT/TM
.12	ADDRESS CHANGE SITE
.119	ADDRESS CHANGE SOURCE
.114	CITY
.117	COUNTY
.03	DATE OF BIRTH
.351	DATE OF DEATH
.131	PHONE NUMBER [RESIDENCE]
.02	SEX
.115	STATE
.111	STREET ADDRESS [LINE 1]
.112	STREET ADDRESS [LINE 2]
.1112	ZIP+4

You can view (but not upload or delete) the *non-uploadable* data in the following PATIENT File (#2) demographic fields when using this option:

Filed Number	Field Name
.2916	CITY (VA)
.314	CLAIM FOLDER LOCATION
.382	DATE MEDICAID LAST ASKED?
.291	DATE RULED INCOMPETENT (VA)
.3611	ELIGIBILITY STATUS
.3612	ELIGIBILITY STATUS DATE
.3615	ELIGIBILITY VERIF. METHOD
.381	ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAID?
.2912	GUARDIAN (VA)
.2911	INSTITUTION (VA)
.2919	PHONE (VA)
.361	PRIMARY ELIGIBILITY CODE
.293	RATED INCOMPETENT?
.2913	RELATIONSHIP (VA)
.115	STATE (VA)
.2914	STREET ADDRESS [LINE 1] (VA)
.2915	STREET ADDRESS [LINE 2] (VA)
.2918	ZIP (VA)

# IVM Upload Menu Demographics Upload

#### Introduction, continued

In addition to the generic List Manager actions described in Appendix B of this manual, the following actions are also available when using this option:

Short Name	Full Name	Brief Description				
	From the IVM Demographic Screen					
DU	Display Uploadable	<ul> <li>Displays uploadable data for the selected patient on the Uploadable Demographics screen</li> <li>Provides List Manager actions to upload or delete demographic data</li> </ul>				
VN	View Non Uploadable	<ul> <li>Displays non-uploadable data for the selected patient on the Uploadable Demographics screen</li> <li>Provides List Manager action to delete demographic data</li> </ul>				
EH	Extended Help					
	From the Uplo	adable Demographics Screen				
UF	Upload Demographic Fields					
DF	Delete Demographic Fields					
	From the Non-Up	bloadable Demographics Screen				
DF	Delete Demographic Fields					

#### Example

The IVM Demographic Upload screen displays a list of patients whose demographics information has changed and indicates whether there is uploadable/uploadable information. This example assumes that you are going to upload address changes for STANLEY, JOSEPH, Patient #4.

	DEMOGRAPHIC UPLOAD	Sep 15, 2003@14:05:	09 Pag	e: 1 of			
Pat	Patient Demographic Information						
			Uploadable	Non-uploadable			
	Patient Name	Patient SSN	Demographics	Demographics			
1	JACKSON, FRANK	626-84-6304	YES	NO			
2	JOHNSON, RANDOLPH	554-84-3405	YES	NO			
3	MARTIN, SUSAN	275-47-0316	YES	NO			
4	STANLEY, JOSEPH	214-56-0893	YES	NO			

Enter ?? for more actions

DU Display Uploadable VN View Non Uploadable EH Extended Help Select Action: Quit// DU=4 Display Uploadable

# IVM Upload Menu Demographics Upload

#### Example, continued

When address information is available for uploading, the Uploadable Demographics screen displays the current address information (DHCP Field Value) and the incoming data (IVM Field Value).

Uploadable Demographics Sep	15, 2003@15:21:47	Page: 1 of 1
Patient: STANLEY, JOSEPH (0893)	Upload	lable Demographic Fields
	-	
DHCP Field Name	DHCP Field Value	IVM Field Value
1 STREET ADDRESS [LINE 1]	11 EXIT NOT ALLOWED	502 SQA CHANGE
2 STREET ADDRESS [LINE 2]	(* NONE ON FILE *)	8/27 AVENUE B
3 CITY	REDDING	REDDING
4 STATE	CALIFORNIA	CALIFORNIA
5 ZIP+4	96002	96002
6 COUNTY	SHASTA	SHASTA
7 ADDRESS CHANGE SOURCE	VAMC	HEC
8 ADDRESS CHANGE DT/TM	AUG 29, 2003@16:53:0	AUG 27, 2003@08:46:0

```
Enter ?? for more actions
UF Upload Demographic Fields
                                        DF Delete Demographic Fields
Select Action: Quit// UF Upload Demographic Fields
Select FIELD(s): (1-7): 1
You have selected to update an address field.
You will be required to upload the entire address.
Do you wish to proceed with this action? NO// {\bf YES}
*** WARNING: This patient has ACTIVE PRESCRIPTIONS on file.
Are you sure that you want to update the complete address? NO// YES
Filing address fields... completed.
The patient's address has been updated and the phone number
remains on file.
Patient Name: STANLEY, JOSEPH (0893)
Phone Number [Residence]: 555-0088
Is it okay to delete the patient's Phone Number [Residence]? NO// <ENTER>
```

Patient's Phone Number [Residence] has not been deleted.

#### IVM Upload Menu Insurance Upload



The Insurance Upload option is locked with the IVM UPLOAD security key.

#### Introduction

This option is used to transfer to a temporary IB insurance buffer or purge patient insurance information transmitted to your facility from the HEC. This is data received by the HEC from patients' employers.

Authorized insurance personnel process the data in the temporary insurance buffer. They can upload the insurance data into the patient's permanent insurance records or purge the data.

If **V***IST***A** or IVM records show a date of death on a patient, it is indicated on the screen by an asterisk. If that patient is selected, a message is displayed indicating that a date of death has been reported either by the HEC or **V***IST***A**.

Once action has been taken on the data, a confirmation message is automatically transmitted to the HEC. The message includes the decision made at the site and, if the information was rejected, the reason the data was not uploaded.



Adding a new policy for a patient generates a mail message to MCCR personnel listing the patient's potentially billable episodes of care since the effective date of the policy.

# IVM Upload Menu Insurance Upload

Example 1 – Transfer IVM Insurance Policy to Insurance Module

IVM	INSURANCE UPLO	DAD Jul	28,	1994 16:24:50	Page:	1 of	1
The	HEC has identi	ified insurance	for	the following patie	ents:		
(	*) - Indicates	Death Reported	Act	5			
	Patient Name			s Insurance Carrier		Subscriber	ID
1		023-56-0730					
2	DANIELS, JOHN	022-98-8887	NO	AETNA INSURANCE C	COMPA	029876587	
3	NICHOLS, DAVID	054-77-3882	YES	S TRAVELERS INSURAN	ICE	2838B34H	
		236-26-9525					
5				BARRY SCOTT INSUR			
6	WIES, MARK	508-01-0111	NO	NATIONWIDE INSURA	NCE COM	DFS7865	
		2 6					
DI		? for more action		-1 rr - 1			
	1 1 1	EH Exte		-			
Sel	ect Action: Qui	it// <b>de=4</b> Disp	этау	Entry			
I Da	to of Dooth! w	anantad fan thi	~ ~~+	-iont in DUCD on TUN	T 22 100/	1	
Da	re or beath, re	shorred for rurs	s pai	tient in DHCP as JUN	1 43, 1994	<b>·</b>	
Pre	ss RETURN to co	ontinue: <ret></ret>					

```
INSURANCE POLICIES CURRENTLY ON FILE
    ******************
               Subscriber ID Group
 Insurance Co.
                                        Holder Effective Expires
 _____
 No Insurance Information
          INSURANCE POLICY RECEIVED FROM the HEC
    ******************
 Company: ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY Effective Date: FEB 3, 1992
Phone #: (919)548-9238 Expiration Date: OCT 10, 1994
Address: Subscriber ID: 021670999
   202 SUNSET DRIVE
                                   Policy Holder: SELF
   NEW YORK, NY 12509
                                   Group Name: UMBRELLA GRP
                                   Group Number: 102
                                    Pre-Cert. Req?: NO
 Name of Insured: PAULEY, TIM
                                   Plan Type: HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGAN
Press RETURN to continue or '^' to return to display screen: <RET>
```

# IVM Upload Menu Insurance Upload

# Example, cont.

Select one of the following:
1 Transfer IVM Insurance Policy to Insurance Module 2 Purge IVM Insurance Policy 3 Return to Display Screen
Select Action: ??
Entering '1' at this prompt will allow the user to upload the Insurance Policy that was received from the HEC. Entering '2' at this prompt will allow the user to delete the Insurance Policy that was received from the HEC Entering '3' or '^' will abort this action.
Select one of the following:
1 Transfer IVM Insurance Policy to Insurance Module 2 Purge IVM Insurance Policy 3 Return to Display Screen
Select Action: 1 Transfer IVM Insurance Policy to Insurance Module
Transferring HEC's insurance policy to insurance module completed.  Press RETURN to continue: <ret></ret>

# IVM Upload Menu Insurance Upload

#### Example, cont.

#### Example 2 - Purge Insurance Policy

IVM INSURA	NCE UPLOAD	Jul	28,	1994 16:24:50	Page:	1 of	1
the HEC ha	s identifie	ed insurance	for	the following patients:			
(*) - In	dicates Dea	ath Reported	Act				
	t Name			Insurance Carrier		Subscriber	ID
		023-56-0730		NATIONWIDE INSURANCE		DFS9732	
		022-98-8887				029876587	
		054-77-3882				2838B34H	
		236-26-9525			MPA	021670999	
,		021-45-6992				00123ER45	
6 WIES, M	ARK	508-01-0111	NO	NATIONWIDE INSURANCE	COM	DFS7865	
		or more actio		*** 3			
		EH Exte					
Select Act	ion: Quit/	/ <b>de=4</b> Disp	o⊥ay	Entry			
'Date of D	eath' repo	rted for this	s pat	ient in DHCP as JUN 23,	1994	١.	
Press RETU	RN to cont	inue: <ret></ret>					

INSURANCE POLICIES CURRENTLY ON FILE \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Insurance Co. Subscriber ID Group Holder Effective Expires \_\_\_\_\_\_ SELF 02/03/92 10/10/94 ALLSTATE 021670999 102 INSURANCE POLICY RECEIVED FROM the HEC \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Company: ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY Effective Date: FEB 3, 1992 Phone #: (919)548-9238 Expiration Date: OCT 10, 1994 Subscriber ID: 021670999 Address: 202 SUNSET DRIVE Policy Holder: SELF NEW YORK, NY 12509 Group Name: UMBRELLA GRP Group Number: 102 Pre-Cert. Req?: NO Name of Insured: PAULEY, TIM Plan Type: HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGAN Press RETURN to continue or '^' to return to display screen: <RET>

# IVM Upload Menu Insurance Upload

#### Example, cont.

Select one of the following:

1 Transfer IVM Insurance Policy to Insurance Module
2 Purge IVM Insurance Policy
3 Return to Display Screen

Select Action: 2 Purge IVM Insurance Policy

The 'Purge IVM Insurance Policy' action has been selected.

This action will cause the insurance information which has been received from the HEC to be deleted from the system!

Please select a reason for purging the IVM insurance information. Select reason for purging: ??

#### CHOOSE FROM:

- 1 ALREADY HAVE INSURANCE POLICY
- 2 DATA APPEARS TO BE INCORRECT
- 3 INSURANCE COMPANY CLOSED
- 4 POLICY PLAN TYPE IS HMO
- 5 POLICY PLAN TYPE IS PPO
- 6 POLICY COVERAGE EXPIRED
- 7 POLICY BENEFITS FULLY USED
- 8 BENEFITS NOT AVAILABLE
- 9 COVERAGE FOR SPOUSE ONLY

Select reason for purging: 1 ALREADY HAVE INSURANCE POLICY

Are you sure that you want to purge IVM insurance data? NO//  ${f y}$  YES

Purging the 'Insurance Policy' received from IVM... completed.

Press RETURN to continue: <RET>

# IVM Upload Menu Insurance Upload

# Example, cont.

IVM	INSURANCE UPLO	)AD Jul	28,	1994 16:24:50	Page:	1 of	1
the	HEC has identi	fied insurance	for	the following p	atients:		
( >	*) - Indicates	Death Reported	Act				
	Patient Name	SSN	Ins	Insurance Car	rier	Subscriber	ID
1	COOPER, DAVID	023-56-0730	NO	NATIONWIDE IN	SURANCE COM	DFS9732	
2	DANIELS, JOHN	022-98-8887	NO	AETNA INSURAN	ICE COMPA	029876587	
3	NICHOLS, DAVID	054-77-3882	YES	TRAVELERS INS	URANCE	2838B34H	
4	SHORT, MARVIN	021-45-6992	YES	BARRY SCOTT I	NSURANCE	00123ER45	
5	WIES, MARK	508-01-0111	NO	NATIONWIDE IN	SURANCE COM	DFS7865	
	Enter ?? for more actions						
DE I	Display Entry	EH Exte	ended	Help			
Sele	ect Action: Qui	_t//		-			

## IVM Upload Menu SSN Upload



The SSN Upload option is locked with the IVM UPLOAD security key.

#### Introduction

This option uses the List Manager utility to list SSNs for possible uploading to VISTA. SSNs for patient and spouse are returned from SSA as possible matches based on name, sex, and date of birth.

If **V**IST**A** or IVM records show a date of death on a patient, it is indicated on the screen by an asterisk. If that patient is selected, a message is displayed indicating that a date of death has been reported either by the HEC or **V**IST**A**.

You might first want to use the PRINT action to print the entire list to a printer for review and determination. (Two question marks (??) entered at the Select Action prompt gives you a complete list of available List Manager actions.)

Following are the two primary actions available.

*Upload* - to upload suggested SSNs to *VISTA*. In cases where there are suggested SSNs for both the veteran and spouse, you can upload one or both SSNs. Once an SSN is uploaded, it is no longer displayed on the screen.

*Purge* - If you determine that the SSA SSNs for a patient and/or spouse are not correct, you can purge the data from the file which removes it from the list.



SSNs are uploaded into PIMS files.

HL7 provides the foundation for all communications between your site and the HEC.

# IVM Upload Menu SSN Upload

IVM SSN UPDATE	Jul 06, 199	4 14:41:22	Page:	1 of 1
Income Verification Match		Suggested SSA/	SSNs for Up	loading
(*) - Indicates Date of Dea	th Reported			
Patient Name DHCP/SSN	SSA/SSN	Spouse's Name	DHCP/SSN	SSA/SSN
1 BAEZ, JOAN 123343243	123343244			
2 DYLAN, ROBERT 022988887	222988887	DYLAN, MARY	444143309	444143399
3 HAVENS, RICHARD 309786612	399786612			
4 *HENDRIX, JAMES 122114444	254773882			
5 *JOPLIN, JANICE 236269525	236269255			
6 SANTANA, CARLOS 444044040	444044044	SANTANA, LISA	773927409	779327409
Enter ?? for m	ore action	S		
UP Update SSN PU	Purge Entry			
<b>∥</b>	Update SSN			

```
Update for patient DYLAN, ROBERT
Update the SSN for the 'V'eteran, 'S'pouse, or 'B'oth?: (V/S/B): BOTH// <RET>
Are you sure you want to update this entry? NO// YES
...patient Social Security Number (SSN) has been updated.

Press RETURN to continue: <RET>
...spouse's Social Security Number (SSN) has been updated.

Press RETURN to continue: <RET>
```

IVM SSN UPDATE		Jul 06, 199	4 14 • 41 • 22	Page:	1 of 1	
Income Verification Match  Suggested SSA/SSNs for Uploading						
(*) - Indicates Da		n Reported	saggeseea ssii,	come for op	roddriig	
Patient Name	DHCP/SSN	SSA/SSN	Spouse's Name	DHCP/SSN	SSA/SSN	
	123343243	123343244	or contract of the contract of			
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	309786612	399786612				
	122114444	254773882				
	236269525	236269255				
	444044040	444044044	SANTANA, LISA	773927409	779327409	
Enter ?? for more actions						
UP Update SSN PU Purge Entry						
Select Action: Quit//						

#### **Billing Transmission Report**

#### Introduction

This option generates a report of all IVM-related billing and collection activity that has been transmitted to the HEC. Information for each third party claim or Means Test charge is listed along with the date that the last transmission was sent to IVM. The report will also indicate whether any further transmissions will be sent to IVM.



Data from IB files are included in this report.

#### **Example**

This report will list all billing activity which has been, or will be, transmitted to the IVM Center. This includes Means Test charges for patients who have changed categories due to IVM-verified Means Tests, as well as claims to insurance companies for patients who have insurance policies identified by the IVM Center.

Please note that this output requires 132 columns. This report may not run very quickly so you might choose to queue the report to a printer.

DEVICE: HOME// <RET> Decnet RIGHT MARGIN: 80// 132

Run Date: 08/1 Page: 1	1/94 8:19 am			IV	M BILLING '	TRANSMISSI	ON REPORT			
Patient Name	SSN	Ref #	Bill Clsf	Bill Type	Bill From	- To	Date Generated	Amt Billed	Amt Coll	Date Last Trans Tran
WAYNE, KAREN	578-03-3211	5003082	0	INS CLAIM	05/13/94	05/13/94	06/29/94	356.00	0.00	07/14/94 NO
BOTT, CHARLES	135-89-4444	5003086	0	COPAYMENT	12/10/93	12/10/93		36.00	N/A	Not Sent NO
RYAN, PETER	126-70-9989	5003080 5003081	I	PER DIEM COPAYMENT	04/29/94 04/29/94	06/27/94 04/29/94	06/29/94 06/29/94	600.00 696.00	N/A N/A	07/14/94 YES 07/14/94 YES
SAWYER, RON	241-80-1887	5003088	0	COPAYMENT	04/16/94	04/16/94		36.00	N/A	Not Sent NO

**IVM Case Inquiry** 

#### Introduction

This option allows you to review the status of any Means Test or Co-Pay Exemption Test submitted to the HEC for verification. All Means Test and billing/collection transmissions for the case are displayed. Any uploadable data associated with the case is indicated.



The data used for this report is from the Means Test module of the PIMS software.

```
Select PATIENT NAME: ADAMS, GEORGE 02-08-52 132456110 NO NSC VETERAN

>>>> Case Record is for Income Year 1993 <<<<
DEVICE: HOME// <RET> Decnet RIGHT MARGIN: 80// <RET>
```

```
Aug 11, 1994@08:24:17
IVM Case Inquiry
                                                Page: 1
   Name: ADAMS, GEORGE
SSN: 132-45-6110
Case Status: CLOSED
Full Transmission Sent: 07/14/94
Inc Year: 1993
 MT Date: 07/11/94 (MT COPAY EXEMPT)
______
  --- THIS CASE RECORD HAS BEEN CLOSED ---
 Closure Reason: CASE WAS NOT VERIFIED
 Closure Source: IVM CENTER
  Closure Date: Jul 19, 1994@15:29:02
______
Means Test Transmission History:
                                      Transmitted As
                                   MT Cat Had Ins?
 Trans Date/Time Status
 _____
 Jul 14, 1994@09:29:32 RECEIVED
                                    MT COPAY EXEMPT
 Jul 19, 1994@12:27:34 RECEIVED
                                   MT COPAY EXEMPT
                                                 NO
```

#### Means Test Comparison Report

#### Introduction

This management report provides a summary of all Means Tests for two consecutive years for veterans who are MT Copay Exempt or MT Copay Required. It lists the total number of veterans in each category, the number of veterans who have changed Means Test category over the two year period, the number of new Means Tests (veterans Means Tested in the second year only) and the number of "non-returns" (veterans Means Tested in the first year only). A detailed report listing each veteran with both years' Means Test category is also available.

This report could be run regularly to judge the shift of veterans from the mandatory to discretionary category, and to estimate the number of potential cases that will be referred to the HEC for verification.



All data used for this report is from PIMS files.

```
IVM MEANS TEST COMPARISON REPORT

This report will be used to analyze consecutive years' Means Test data (i.e. 1991-1992). Please enter the first year for the two year period which you would like to analyze.

Enter first means test YEAR (1986 - 1993): 1992 (1992)

Means Test YEAR 1: 1992

Means Test YEAR 2: 1993

Would you like to print patient data? NO// y YES

NOTE: The output is designed to use 80 columns.

DEVICE: HOME// <RET> Decnet RIGHT MARGIN: 80// <RET>
```

# IVM Output Menu Means Test Comparison Report

# Example, cont.

JUL 8,1994 M E A N S	TEST COMPARISO	N REPOF	PAGE: 1
	FOR YEARS: 1992 AND 1993	3	
PATIENT	SSN	MEANS TEST CATEGORY 1992	MEANS TEST CATEGORY 1993
ABBOTT, JOHN A.	411-01-0101	A	С
ABOTT, JACK	222-66-9999		С
ABRAMS, ROGER	328-93-8276		A
ADAMS, FRANK	098-57-4321		A
ADAMS, JOHN	120-98-4587	A	
ADRIANCE, KENNETH	108-10-9937	A	A
AIELLO, FRANK	134-09-7714		С

JUL 8,1994		PAGE: 20
MEANS T	EST COMPARIS	
	FOR YEARS: 1992 AND 19	993
SUMMARY OF MEANS TESTS FOR	YEAR 1992	
TOTAL CAT A: 2	======= 29	
TOTAL CAT C:		
TOTAL MEANS TESTS: 10	06	
SUMMARY OF MEANS TESTS FOR	YEAR 1993	
TOTAL CAT A: 3	======== 36	
TOTAL CAT C:		
TOTAL MEANS TESTS: 8	81	
TOTAL NON-DETIIDNS	FROM 1992 TO 1993: 89	
TOTAL NEW MEANS TESTS		
	CATEGORY CHANGED FROM A	
TOTAL PATIENTS WHOSE (	CATEGORY CHANGED FROM C	TO A: 3

# **IVM Address Updates Pending Review**

#### Introduction

This option generates the IVM Automatic Address Upload Report. The only prompt asks for a device. The report displays the addresses that will be automatically uploaded to the VAMC if no other action is taken within 14 days from the date they are received at the VAMC. The output includes the following information:

- Name of the report
- Date the report was generated
- Page number
- Date the update will be automatically uploaded to the VAMC if no other action is taken
- Date the update was received at the VAMC
- Patient's SSN
- Patient's name

This report might take some time to process, depending on the number of updates received at your facility. You might want to queue the report to run during non-peak work hours.

IVM AUTOMATIC ADDRESS (	PLOAD RPT	JUN 11,2003	Page: 1
Auto-Upload Date	Date Received	SSN	Patient Name
Jun 23, 2003 Jun 24, 2003	Jun 09, 2003 Jun 10, 2003	432168014 432168014	MORGAN, LISA MORGAN, LISA
	< <en< td=""><td>ID OF REPORT&gt;&gt;</td><td></td></en<>	ID OF REPORT>>	

#### IVM System Manager's Menu

#### **IVM Parameter Enter/Edit**



This option is locked with the IVM SYS security key.

#### Introduction

The IVM parameters control whether notification messages are sent to the IVM MESSAGES mail group when SSN, demographics, and insurance information is received from the HEC. If no entry is made, the messages are generated.

Please refer to Appendix A of this manual for sample mail messages.

```
IVM Parameter Enter/Edit

SUPPRESS SSN UPLOAD MESSAGE: ?

Enter 1 to suppress notification to facility that updated SSN data has been received from the IVM Center. Enter 0 if facility is to be notified. Default is 0.

CHOOSE FROM:

1 SUPPRESS MESSAGE
0 DON'T SUPPRESS MESSAGE
SUPPRESS SSN UPLOAD MESSAGE: 0 DON'T SUPPRESS MESSAGE
SUPPRESS INSURANCE MESSAGE: 0 DON'T SUPPRESS MESSAGE
SUPPRESS DEMOGRAPHIC MESSAGE: 0 DON'T SUPPRESS MESSAGE
```

#### IVM System Manager's Menu

#### **Purge IVM Transmissions**



This option is locked with the IVM SYS security key.

#### Introduction

This option allows IRM staff to purge entries from the IVM TRANSMISSION LOG File (#301.6) that are associated with closed cases (entries in the IVM PATIENT File [#301.5]) from the previous Means Test year.

A notification is sent to the user indicating that the purge has completed, the total number of records checked, number of closed records found, and number of records deleted.

Please refer to Appendix A of this manual for a sample mail message.

#### Example

This option is used to purge data from the IVM TRANSMISSIONS File (#301.6). Entries in this file will only be purged for corresponding case records in the IVM PATIENT File (#301.5) which have been closed.

You may purge transmission records for an entire income year's worth of cases. However, you must select an income year prior to the year which corresponds to the current year's Means Tests. Since this year's Means Tests are based on 1993 income, you must select an income year prior to 1993.

Select the Income Year for which to purge transmissions: 1992 (1992)

Is it okay to queue this job? **y** YES
Requested Start Time: NOW// **<RET>** (JUL 08, 1994@14:12:53)

This job has been queued. The task number is 20474.

# IVM System Manager's Menu

## **IVM Transmission Report**



This option is locked with the IVM SYS security key.

#### Introduction

The IVM Transmission Report allows you to analyze the number of Initial or Full transmissions leaving your facility for a specific date or range. The total number of transmissions is broken down by the transmission status:

*Transmitted* - An attempt has been made to send the transmission to the HEC. The transmission may or may not have left your facility, but it has not been acknowledged by the HEC.

Received - The transmission has been successfully acknowledged by the HEC.

*In Error* - The transmission has been acknowledged by the HEC as having contained erroneous or invalid data.

*Re-transmitted* - A transmission with the status of "transmitted" may be retransmitted after three days. At that time, a new transmission record is created. The status of the original transmission is updated to "retransmitted."

The number of multiple transmissions is listed. If more than one transmission for an income case has been sent to the HEC (this would occur if the Means Test or demographics data for the veteran was edited), each successive transmission is considered to be a multiple transmission for a specific income case.

Summary statistics for the number of MT Copay Exempt and MT Copay Required veterans with and without active insurance are provided. A listing of the receipt date and response date for each Master Query received by the facility is also included.

# IVM System Manager's Menu IVM Transmission Report

```
Select one of the following:

1 SINGLE DATE REPORT
2 DATE RANGE REPORT

Enter response: 2 DATE RANGE REPORT

Enter Start DATE: 7/1 (JUL 01, 1994)

Enter End DATE: 8/31 (AUG 31, 1994)

DEVICE: HOME// <RET> Decnet RIGHT MARGIN: 80// <RET>
```

```
_____
         INCOME VERIFICATION MATCH - TRANSMISSIONS REPORT
|-----|
              DATE PRINTED: AUG 31, 1994
_____
   Date range selected: JUL 01, 1994 to AUG 31, 1994
   Total number of days:
                                        62
   Total number of transmissions:
                                       248 (4.00/day)
     Without Status: 0 In Error: 0
Transmitted: 30 Re-transmitted: 33
Received: 185 Multiple Transmissions: 118 (of 248)
                      With Insurance Without Insurance
   Percentage MT Copay Exempt: 2.82 %
Percentage MT Copay Required: 0.77 %
                                       78.84 %
                                                 14.11 %
        ** MASTER QUERY SUMMARY **
    Query Income Year Date Received Date Responded
    _____
       1992 06/28/94 4:34 pm 06/28/94 11:32 pm
1993 07/19/94 12:35 pm 07/19/94 11:31 pm
```

## IVM Transmission Error Processing

#### Introduction

The Health Eligibility Center may respond to a patient transmission by returning an error message, which means they were unable to process the transmission. The IVM Transmission Error Processing option allows you to work with lists of patients for which error messages were received in a List Manager format. This information was previously viewed through "Erroneous Data Sent to the HEC" mail messages for each individual patient.

The contents of the list are selected by a user-specified date range. The initial display shows the "New" process status and is sorted by patient name. You may use the following actions to make changes to the displayed list.

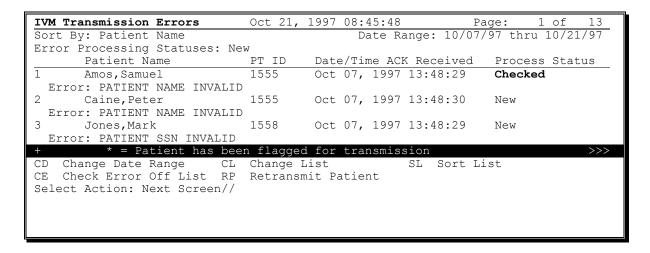
Change Date Range	Change the date range of the errors being viewed.
Change List	Change the error list being viewed. You may choose to see errors
	with a status of new, checked, or both.
Check Error Off List	Changes the selected error with a status of New to a status of
	Checked. Checked indicates the error has been viewed.
Retransmit Patient	Sets a flag to retransmit the selected patient. The transmission will
	take place during the nightly job.
Sort List	Choose to sort the error list by patient name or date/time
	acknowledgment received.

```
Select Beginning Date: OCT 07, 1997// <RET> (OCT 07, 1997)
Select Ending Date: TODAY// <RET> (OCT 21, 1997)
...EXCUSE ME, JUST A MOMENT PLEASE......
```

# IVM Transmission Error Processing

#### Example, cont.

IVM Transmission Errors	Oct 21,	1997 08:45:48	Pag	ge: 1 of 13
Sort By: Patient Name		Date Ra	nge: 10/07/9	97 thru 10/21/97
Error Processing Statuses: New	V			
Patient Name	PT ID	Date/Time ACK	Received	Process Status
1 Amos, Samuel	1555	Oct 07, 1997	13:48:29	New
Error: PATIENT NAME INVALID				
2 Caine, Peter	1555	Oct 07, 1997	13:48:30	New
Error: PATIENT NAME INVALID				
3 Jones, Mark	1558	Oct 07, 1997	13:48:29	New
Error: PATIENT SSN INVALID				
+ * = Patient has been	n flagged	for transmiss	ion	>>>
CD Change Date Range CL	Change L	ist	SL Sort Lis	st
CE Check Error Off List RP	Retransm	it Patient		
Select Action: Next Screen//	CE Chec	k Error Off Li	st	
Select Transmission Error(s):	(1-3):	1		



#### IVM Financial Query

#### Introduction

The IVM Main Menu allows you to manually generate financial queries to the HEC for patients that require updated income Means Test, Copay Test, and Income Screening information. The prompts ask you to select a patient, verify that you want to send a financial query, and if you want to receive notification when a reply is received.

You cannot send a query if

- A query is already pending for the selected patient.
- No financial query is required for the selected patient. (For example, the patient is in Enrollment Priority Group 1.)

```
This option allows queries to be sent to the Health Eliqibility
Center (HEC) for patients that require updated income information.
Select PATIENT NAME: NICHOLSON, A NICHOLSON, A 3-26-66
                                                               105032666
         NSC VETERAN SH
    NO
Enrollment Priority:
                             Category: IN PROCESS End Date:
                *** Patient Requires a Means Test ***
         Patient's Test dated DEC 21,1998 is MT COPAY EXEMPT. The test
         date is greater than 365 days old. Please update.
Enter <RETURN> to continue.
Financial query queued to be sent to the HEC...
Would you like to send a financial query for this patient? YES//
Do you want to be notified when a query reply is received? YES//
Failure to send query: A FINANCIAL QUERY IS CURRENTLY OPEN OR JUST SENT
```

# Glossary

This glossary contains terms and their definitions as they relate to the IVM package.

MT Copay Exempt veteran A patient who, as a result of Means Testing, is in the

mandatory category in regard to eligibility for VA care.

MT Copay Required veteran A patient who, as a result of Means Testing, is in the

discretionary category in regard to eligibility for VA care.

full data transmission A complete information profile transmitted to the HEC

containing patient demographic, eligibility, Means Test,

income, insurance, and enrollment information.

HEC Health Eligibility Center (formerly IVM Center)

HL7 Health Level 7 is an interface specification designed to

standardize the way in which health care information is transferred between systems. IVM utilizes the VISTA HL7 package to assist in transporting data using this specification.

IRS Internal Revenue Service

IVM Income Verification Match. A program designed to verify

income and insurance data reported by the veteran with that received from IRS (Internal Revenue Service), SSA (Social

Security Administration), and other sources.

Means Test

Eligibility for VA hospital care and nursing home care is divided into two categories - mandatory and discretionary. An income assessment is made to determine whether a non service-connected veteran, who is not in receipt of VA monetary benefits or otherwise exempt from income assessment, is eligible for cost-free VA medical care. This income assessment is known as "Means Testing." Patients whose income is above the defined income levels must agree to make copayments to VA for outpatient and inpatient care rendered.

SSA

Social Security Administration

suggested SSN

Patient or spouse SSNs returned from SSA as possible matches based on name, sex, and date of birth. These SSNs will be validated by the HEC before being returned to the field facilities.

third party claim

When a party other than the patient, such as an insurance company, is billed.

# **Military Time Conversion Table**

STANDARD	MILITARY
12:00 MIDNIGHT 11:00 PM	2400 HOURS 2300 HOURS
10:00 PM	2200 HOURS
9:00 PM	2100 HOURS
8:00 PM	2000 HOURS
7:00 PM	1900 HOURS
6:00 PM	1800 HOURS
5:00 PM	1700 HOURS
4:00 PM	1600 HOURS
3:00 PM	1500 HOURS
2:00 PM	1400 HOURS
1:00 PM	1300 HOURS
12:00 NOON	1200 HOURS
11:00 AM	1100 HOURS
10:00 AM	1000 HOURS
9:00 AM	0900 HOURS
8:00 AM	0800 HOURS
7:00 AM	0700 HOURS
6:00 AM	0600 HOURS
5:00 AM	0500 HOURS
4:00 AM	0400 HOURS
3:00 AM	0300 HOURS
2:00 AM	0200 HOURS
1:00 AM	0100 HOURS

# Appendix A - Sample Mail Messages

Following are samples of the types of electronic mail notifications generated by the IVM software. You might also receive messages generated by other *VISTA* software packages, such as the notification generated by PIMS to indicate a changed SSN, or the notification of new insurance sent by IB.

The patient's name and last four digits of the SSN have been added to the subject line of some messages with patch number IVM\*2\*3.

#### Receipt of Demographics Transmission

# Receipt of Insurance Transmission

```
Subj: IVM - INSURANCE UPLOAD for COOPER (0730) [#117939] 26 Jul 94 09:33

12 Lines
From: IVM PACKAGE in 'IN' basket. Page 1 **NEW**

The Income Verification Match Center has identified patients
having updated insurance information. Please select the
'Insurance Upload' option from the IVM Upload Menu in order to take
action against this updated insurance information. If you
have any questions concerning updated insurance information
please contact the Income Verification Match Center.

The Income Verification Match Center has identified the
following patients as having updated insurance information:

1) COOPER, DAVID (0730)

Select MESSAGE Action: IGNORE (in IN basket)//
```

#### Receipt of SSA/SSN Transmission

```
Subj: IVM - SSA/SSN UPLOAD [#117931] 25 Jul 94 15:33 11 Lines
From: IVM PACKAGE in 'IN' basket. Page 1 **NEW**

Updated SSA/SSNs have been received from the Income Verification
Match Center. Please select the 'SSN Upload' option from the
IVM Upload Menu in order to upload these SSA/SSNs. If you have any
questions concerning these updated SSA/SSNs, please contact the
Income Verification Match Center.

The following patient's have SSA/SSNs to be uploaded:

1) COOPER, DAVID (0730)
2) SHORT, MARVIN (6992)

Select MESSAGE Action: IGNORE (in IN basket)//
```

# Completed Purge of IVM Transmission Records

#### IVM - Means Test Upload

```
Subj: IVM - MEANS TEST UPLOAD [#117931] 25 Jul 94 15:33 7 Lines
From: IVM PACKAGE in 'IN' basket. Page 1 **NEW**

The following error occurred when an Income Verification Match verified
Means Test was being uploaded for the following patient:

NAME: MOORE, DAVE
ID: 345-23-8405
ERROR: Can't find 408.12 record
```

```
Subj: IVM - MEANS TEST UPLOAD for MOORE (8405) [#117931] 25 Jul 94 15:33

11 Lines
From: IVM PACKAGE in 'IN' basket. Page 1 **NEW**

An Income Verification Match verified Means Test has been uploaded
for the following patient:

NAME: MOORE, THOMAS
ID: 345-23-8405
DATE OF TEST: SEP 12, 1993
PREV CATEGORY: A
NEW CATEGORY: A
NEW CATEGORY: C
DATE/TIME OF ADJUDICATION: SEP 18,1994@11:21

The patient is now NON-EXEMPT for prescription copay.

The patient's current Means Test status is now MT COPAY REQUIRED.

The patient is MT COPAY REQUIRED and doesn't agree to pay deductible.
```

#### IVM - Means Test Deleted

```
Subj: IVM - MEANS TEST DELETED [#190091] 28 Sep 94 15:46 6 Lines
From: IVM PACKAGE in 'IN' basket. Page 1 **NEW**

An Income Verification Match Means Test was deleted for the following patient:

NAME: STILLS, JOHN ID: 433-21-0000 TEST DATE: AUG 16,1994

NOTE: The original DHCP Means Test is now the primary Means Test.
```

#### Messages Awaiting Transmission

Sent when MailMan V. 7.1 is installed at the site and a message is awaiting transmission to the HEC.

```
Subj: MESSAGES 'AWAITING TRANSMISSION' [#117931] 25 Jul 94 15:33 6 Lines
From: IVM PACKAGE in 'IN' basket. Page 1 **NEW**

Mailman message number 435938 is awaiting transmission.
Please call the IVM Center (Atlanta, GA) to play a script if unable to complete script from your end.

Please note that you may have other messages that are awaiting transmission to the IVM Center.
```

# Error Message From the HEC

```
Subj: ERROR MESSAGE FROM THE IVM CENTER [#188441] 02 Sep 94 13:16 9 Lines
From: IVM PACKAGE in 'IN' basket. Page 1

An Insurance Confirmation message or a Billing/Collections Transmission
was rejected by the IVM Center with the following error:

Patient ID/SSN not in IVM database - DFN 150

Mailman Message # of Acknowledged Transmission: 187928

If you are unable to find the source of this problem,
please contact your ISC Support Group or the IVM Center.
```

# Missing Primary Long ID Field

```
Subj: MISSING PRIMARY LONG ID FIELD [#195643] 22 Mar 95 07:51 5 Lines
From: IVM PACKAGE in 'IN' basket. Page 1

During Income Verification Match processing, the PRIMARY LONG ID field
(.363) of PATIENT File (#2) is missing for the following patient:

NAME: SMITH, JOHN
DFN: 7169017
```

# Appendix B - List Manager

The List Manager is a tool used to display a list of items in a screen format with the following functionality.

- Browse through the list
- Select items that need action
- Take action against those items
- Select other List Manager actions without leaving the option

Actions are selected by entering the name or mnemonic at the "Select Action:" prompt. Entries may be preselected in the following manner:

DU=1 will display upload for entry 1

In addition to the various actions that are available specific to the option you are using, List Manager provides generic actions applicable to any List Manager screen. You may enter double question marks (??) at the "Select Action" prompt for a list of all actions available. The table below lists generic List Manager actions with a brief description. Entering the mnemonic is the quickest way to select an action.

Action	Mnemonic	Description
Next Screen	+	Move to the next screen
Previous Screen	-	Move to the previous screen
Up a Line	UP	Move up one line
Down a Line	DN	Move down one line
Shift View to Right	>	Move the screen to the right if the screen width is more than 80
		characters
Shift View to Left	<	Move the screen to the left if the screen width is more than 80
		characters
First Screen	FS	Move to the first screen
Last Screen	LS	Move to the last screen
Go to Page	GO	Move to any selected page in the list
Re Display Screen	RD	Redisplay the current screen
Print Screen	PS	Print the header and the portion of the list currently displayed
Print List	PL	Print the list of entries currently displayed
Search List	SL	Find selected text in list of entries
Auto Display(On/Off)	ADPL	Toggle the menu of actions to be displayed/not displayed automatically
Quit	QU	exits the screen

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